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Enclosed are:

Patent Application: 22 pages, 13 claims.

2 sheets of drawings.
The suggested drawing figure to be published is FIG. 5

A declaration and power of attorney.
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Applicant qualifies as a small entity under 37 CFR § 1.27.
Pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2), Applicant hereby requests that this patent application not be published pursuant to 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(1). Applicant hereby certifies that the invention another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires eighteen-month Assignee info:

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In re Patent Application of: JOFFE ET AL. Atty Docket. No. 72182CIP3 Continuation-in-part application of) Serial No. 10/403,321, filed March 31, 2003, which is a Continuation-in-part application of) Serial No. 10/246,368, filed September 18, 2002 Serial No. NOT YET ASSIGNED Filed: HEREWITH Confirmation No. NOT YET ASSIGNED For: CAPACITANCE MEASUREMENT-BASED MECHANISM FOR LOCATING OPEN TELECOMMUNICATION LINE FAULT

NONPUBLICATION REQUEST UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.213

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Sir:

Pursuant to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. 1.213, applicant respectfully requests that the present continuation-in-part application be withheld from publication, as would otherwise occur under 35 U.S.C. 122(b) and 37 C.F.R. 1.211.

According to paragraph (a) of 37 C.F.R. 1.213, the invention disclosed in the present continuation-in-part application, its parent application Serial No. 10/403,321, filed March 31, 2003, has not been and will not be subject of an application filed in another country, or under a

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multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing, and its grandparent application Serial No. 10/246,368, filed September 18, 2002, has not been and will not be subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication of applications eighteen months after filing.

Under paragraph (a)(1) the present request is being submitted with the filing of the present continuation-in-part application.

Under paragraph (a)(2) the documentation accompanying the filing of the present application contains a conspicuous **NONPUBLICATION REQUEST** that the application is not to be published under 35 U.S.C. 122(b).

Under paragraph (a)(3) attached is a certification by the attorney for applicant that the invention disclosed has not been and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral international agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing.

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Under paragraph (a)(4) the present request has been signed by the attorney to whom power has been given by applicant to represent the present application in proceedings before the Commissioner of Patents in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office.

The Examiner is authorized to charge or credit any fee amounts to Deposit Account No. 01-0484.

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